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SKS		4,247,882		Universal input/output system construction for programmable controllers		
SKS		4,628,397		Protected input/output circuitry for a programmable controller		
SKS		4,752,886		Method for on-line testing of load control circuitry and the associated load		
SKS		4,870,564		Distributed input/output system		
SKS		4,951,250		Combined input/output circuit for a programmable controller		
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